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From the outset I disagreed with the Government's prosecution of Microsoft. The success of any operating system platform is determined by those of use who write software for it. For years nearly eight million developers have written software for the Windows platform. Since so many developers have chosen to write for Windows the consumer had more applications from which to choose. Allowing the consumer to pick what they felt was right for them.

Microsoft Windows has been far more open and allowed consumers more choice than other operating systems. Other operating system vendors give you what they think you should have rather than listening to the consumer and providing the features important to the consumer.

Since, the settlement is in place I think it should stand. While I continue to think that it is unnecessary it is better than the attempts to break up Microsoft. I think the break up attempt was a contributing factor to the soft economic conditions we are now in since our economy is technology driven. Any further attempts to limit Microsoft will only hurt the economy more and punish those eight million developers who have chosen to make their living using Microsoft technologies.

Thank you,

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